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Seeds of Destruction. Expansion of industrial oil palm in the Congo Basin: potential impacts on forests and people

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Summary

This investigation reveals the impacts of biggest palm oil plantations in Congo Basin on forests and local people.

Half a million hectares of industrial oil palm expansion projects are getting underway in the Congo Basin rainforest, which will result in a fivefold increase in the area of active large-scale palm plantations in the region.

Approximately two-thirds of the total forest area of the Congo Basin's forests - 115 million hectares - is believed to have suitable soil and climate for growing oil palms. Around 1.6 million hectares of new oil palm developments have been announced since 2009, and palm oil companies are actively searching for larger areas.

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